

**Proposed KAMFES By-Laws changes**  
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**Article V, Judy Inman True Scholarship**

Section A

Current reading:

“Scholarship applicant must be full-time student (carrying a minimum of twelve (12) hours per semester) in an approved Kentucky institution for higher education, paying in-state tuition (as established by the institution’s registrar’s criteria)”.

Proposed changes:

“Scholarship applicant must be a student carrying a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours per term in undergraduate courses or a minimum of six (6) credit hours per term in graduate courses in an accredited Kentucky institution of higher education.

Rationale for changes:

Omit portion requiring student to be enrolled “full-time” in order to allow graduate students to qualify if only taking 6 credit hours. Some graduate programs are setup for 6 credit hours per term for working students. Undergraduate students must still carry a minimum of 12 credit hours per term or semester.  
Omit portion requiring students to be paying in-state tuition. This can no longer be verified by the registrar’s office of the institution.

Section E

Current reading:

“Applicant must have obtained a grade point average of no less than that of a “B” (3.0) in their major and shall have completed not less than nine (9) credit hours toward their major”.

Proposed changes:

“Applicant must have obtained a cumulative grade point average of no less than a “B” (3.0). Applicants shall be considered eligible for this scholarship when they are minimally recognized as Junior or Senior status by their respective educational institution of higher education and have a declared major in environmental health or related field.”

Rationale for changes:

This would allow undergraduate students with a cumulative grade point average of no less than a “B” (3.0) after their sophomore year to apply for this scholarship. Some students do not declare a major until their Junior year and therefore, will not have completed nine (9) credit hours toward their major. They must still declare a major in environmental health or

related field. Currently, only students who have completed the fall semester of their Junior year are eligible to apply for the scholarship and the scholarship is not awarded until May to be used for the next term. This eliminates Senior students from receiving the scholarship since they will have graduated by the time it is awarded.

#### Section G

Current reading:

“The scholarship will be paid to the institution in the receiver’s name for application toward the fall and spring semester”.

Proposed changes:

“The scholarship will be paid to the institution in the recipient’s name to be applied toward tuition for the current or next term.”

Rationale for changes:

To allow the money to be used for any term, not just the fall and spring semester.

#### Section F

Current reading:

“Applicant must have submitted their application postmarked no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>”.

Proposed changes:

“Applicant must have submitted their application postmarked no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>.”

Rationale for changes:

This would allow undergraduates in their Junior or Senior year or first year graduate students to apply for the scholarship. Currently undergraduate students in their Senior year cannot apply for the scholarship because they will graduate before it is awarded, unless they are immediately entering graduate school. This change will allow more students to qualify for the scholarship and it will allow a Junior to re-apply as a Senior if they did not receive the scholarship as a Junior.